

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

First Named Inventor:	Barry Byron	
Appln. No.:	10/656,027	Confirmation No.: 8490
Filing Date:	September 4, 2003	Examiner: Deai, Hemant
Title:	Apparatus and Method for Sealing a Bag	Group Art Unit: 3721

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

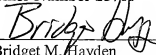
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of three (3) months from July 18, 2006 to October 18, 2006 within which to respond to the Final Office Action dated April 18, 2006.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 04-1420 in the amount of \$510.00 for the Three-Month Extension of Time Fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 04-1420.

Respectfully submitted,

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